

DELAWARE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
15 THE GREEN, DOVER, DE 19901

CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION FORM

CRS # K-7373
SPO Map 12-13-19
Hundred South
Quad Murderkill
Other Frederica

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Northrop Property/Residence
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3024 Skeeter Neck Rd., North Side
3. TOWN/NEAREST TOWN: Little Heaven vicinity? ☐
4. MAIN TYPE OF RESOURCE: building ☒ structure ☐
 landscape ☐ district ☐ site ☐ object ☐
5. MAIN FUNCTION OF PROPERTY: Residence
6. PROJECT TITLE/ REASON FOR SURVEY (if applicable):
SR 1 Little Heaven Interchange

7. ADDITIONAL FORMS USED:

#:	Form:	List property types:
1	CRS 2 Main Building Form	House
2	CRS 3 Secondary Building Form	Tool shed; garage
0	CRS 4 Archaeological Site Form	
0	CRS 5 Structure (Building-Like) Form	
0	CRS 6 Structure (Land Feature) Form	
0	CRS 7 Object Form	
0	CRS 8 Landscape Elements Form	
0	CRS 9 Map Form	N/A
0	CRS 14 Potential District Form	

8. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor name: Lauren C. Archibald and Christine Tate

Principal Investigator name: Lauren C. Archibald

Principal Investigator signature: _____

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: July 2004

9. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

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10. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- ☐ Pre-European Contact
- ☐ Paleo-Indian
- ☐ Archaic
- ☐ Woodland I
- ☐ Woodland II

- ☐ 1600-1750∇ Contact Period (Native American)
- ☐ 1630-1730∇ Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- ☐ 1730-1770∇ Intensified and Durable Occupation
- ☐ 1770-1830∇ Early Industrialization
- ☐ 1830-1880∇ Industrialization and Early Urbanization
- ☐ 1880-1940∇ Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
- ☒ 1940-1960∇ Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization

b) Geographical zone

- ☐ Piedmont
- ☒ Upper Peninsula
- ☐ Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- ☐ Coastal
- ☐ Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry | <input type="checkbox"/> Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trapping/Hunting | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mining/Quarrying | <input type="checkbox"/> Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing/Oystering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retailing/Wholesaling | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Families, Individuals and Events |



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
MAIN BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3024 Skeeter Neck Road, North Side
2. FUNCTION(S): historic Dwelling current Dwelling
3. YEAR BUILT: 1954 CIRCA?: ☒ ARCHITECT/BUILDER: _____
4. STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN: Vernacular
5. INTEGRITY: original site ☒ moved ☐
if moved, from where other location's CRS # year

list major alterations and additions with years (if known) year
a. _____
b. _____
6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ poor ☐
7. DESCRIPTION: (Describe the resource as completely as possible. Use N/A for not applicable; leave no blanks.)
 - a. Overall shape: Rectangular Stories: 1.5
Additions: _____
 - b. Structural system (if known): Frame
 - c. Foundation: materials: Concrete block
basement: full ☐ partial ☒ not visible ☐ no basement ☐
 - d. Exterior walls (original if visible& any subsequent coverings): Vinyl siding
 - e. Roof: shape: Gable (side) with cross-gable extension
materials: Asphalt shingle
cornice: Aluminum
dormers: n/a
chimney: location(s): Interior, rear
8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:
 - a. Facade: Direction: S
 - 1) Bays 4
 - 2) Windows 2
fenestration Irregular
type One 1/1 sash and one tripartite vinyl replacements with removable mullions
trim Aluminum
shutters Fixed vinyl

Facade (cont'd)

- 3) Door(s) 2
 location Off-center pedestrian and western end garage
 type One two-light hollow-core pedestrian and one single aluminum overhead
 trim Aluminum
- 4) Porch(es) Small cross-gable over concrete steps to the main entrance

b. Side: Direction: W

- 1) Bays 2
- 2) Windows n/a
 fenestration n/a
 type n/a
 trim n/a
 shutters n/a
- 3) Door(s) 1
 location Southern end of extension
 type Single-light hollow core
 trim Aluminum
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

c. Side: Direction: E

- 1) Bays 3
- 2) Windows 3
 fenestration Irregular
 type Vinyl 1/1 replacements
 trim Aluminum
 shutters Fixed vinyl
- 3) Door(s) n/a
 location n/a
 type n/a
 trim n/a
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

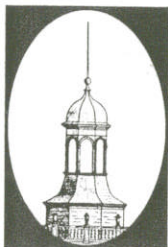
d. Rear: Direction: N

- 1) Bays 4
- 2) Windows 4
 fenestration Irregular
 type Vinyl 1/1 replacement
 trim Aluminum
 shutters n/a
- 3) Door(s) n/a
 location n/a
 type n/a
 trim n/a
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

9. INTERIOR: n/a

10. LANDSCAPING: n/a

11. OTHER COMMENTS: n/a



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3024 Skeeter Neck Road
2. FUNCTION(S): historic Garage with porch current Garage with porch
3. YEAR BUILT: 1975 CIRCA?: ☒ ARCHITECT/BUILDER: _____
4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Vernacular
5. INTEGRITY: original site ☒ moved ☐
if moved, from where _____ original location's CRS # _____ year _____
- list major alterations and additions with years (if known) year
- a. _____
- b. _____
6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ poor ☐
7. DESCRIPTION:
- a. Structural system Frame
- b. Number of stories 1
- c. Wall coverings Vinyl siding
- d. Foundation Concrete block on poured concrete pad
- e. Roof
structural system Frame
coverings Asphalt shingle
openings n/a
8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:
- a. Facade: direction: S
- 1) bays: 2
- 2) windows: n/a
- 3) door(s): 2 fiberglass sectional single-car overhead
- 4) other: n/a

b. Side: direction: W

- 1) bays: 2
- 2) windows: One 1/1 wood sash with aluminum trim
- 3) door(s): 1 screen door to porch
- 4) other: Screens flanking door

c. Side: direction: E

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: One 1/1 wood sash
- 3) door(s): n/a
- 4) other: Screens at porch end

d. Rear: direction: S

- 1) bays: 2
- 2) windows: One 1/1 wood sash
- 3) door(s): 2 (1 screen door to porch and 1 louvered glass aluminum pedestrian entrance to garage)
- 4) other: Screens on porch; porch opens onto pentagonal poured-concrete fenced patio with a round in-ground pool

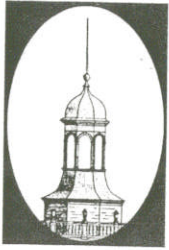
9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan n/a

b) Partition/walls n/a

c) Finishes n/a

d) Furnishings/machinery n/a



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SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3024 Skeeter Neck Road, North Side
2. FUNCTION(S): historic Tool shed current Tool shed
3. YEAR BUILT: 1980 CIRCA?: ☒ ARCHITECT/BUILDER: _____
4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Prefabricated
5. INTEGRITY: original site ☒ moved ☐
if moved, from where _____ original location's CRS # _____ year _____
list major alterations and additions with years (if known) _____ year _____
a. _____
b. _____
6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ poor ☐
7. DESCRIPTION:
 - a. Structural system Frame
 - b. Number of stories 1
 - c. Wall coverings Vertical wood plank
 - d. Foundation Wood skids on concrete-block footers
 - e. Roof
structural system Frame
coverings Asphalt shingles
openings n/a
8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:
 - a. Facade: direction: S
 - 1) bays: 3
 - 2) windows: Two 4/4 aluminum sash with fixed wood shutters
 - 3) door(s): Hinged double wooden doors
 - 4) other: n/a

b. Side: direction: W

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: n/a
- 3) door(s): n/a
- 4) other: n/a

c. Side: direction: E

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: n/a
- 3) door(s): Hinged double wooden doors
- 4) other: n/a

d. Rear: direction: N

- 1) bays: n/a
- 2) windows: n/a
- 3) door(s): n/a
- 4) other: n/a

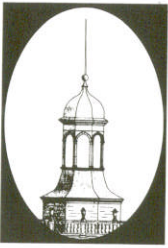
9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan Open

b) Partition/walls None

c) Finishes None

d) Furnishings/machinery n/a



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
MAP FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3024 Skeeter Neck Road, South Murderkill Hundred, Kent County

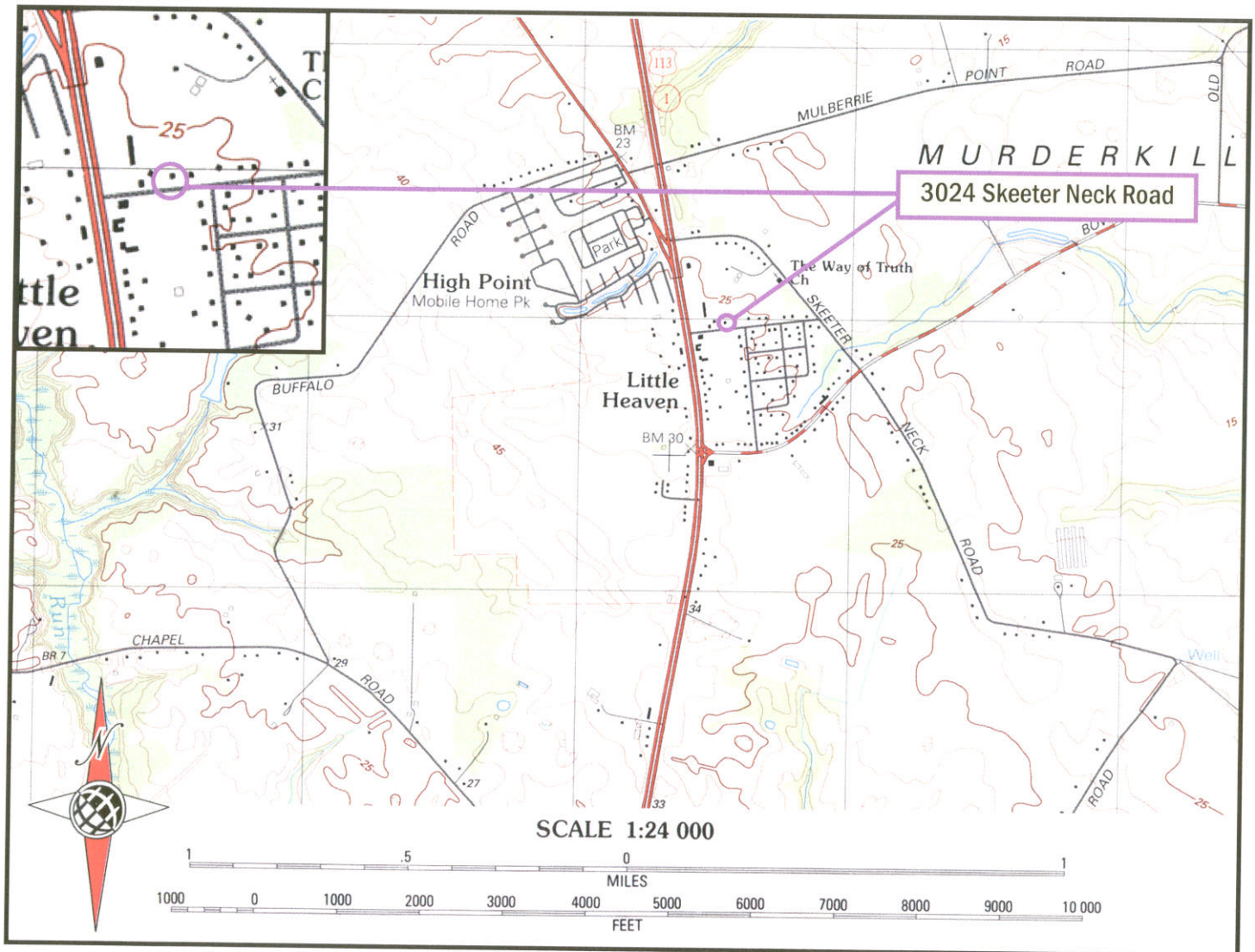
2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION ☐ reason: _____

3. LOCATION MAP:

Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.

(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map)

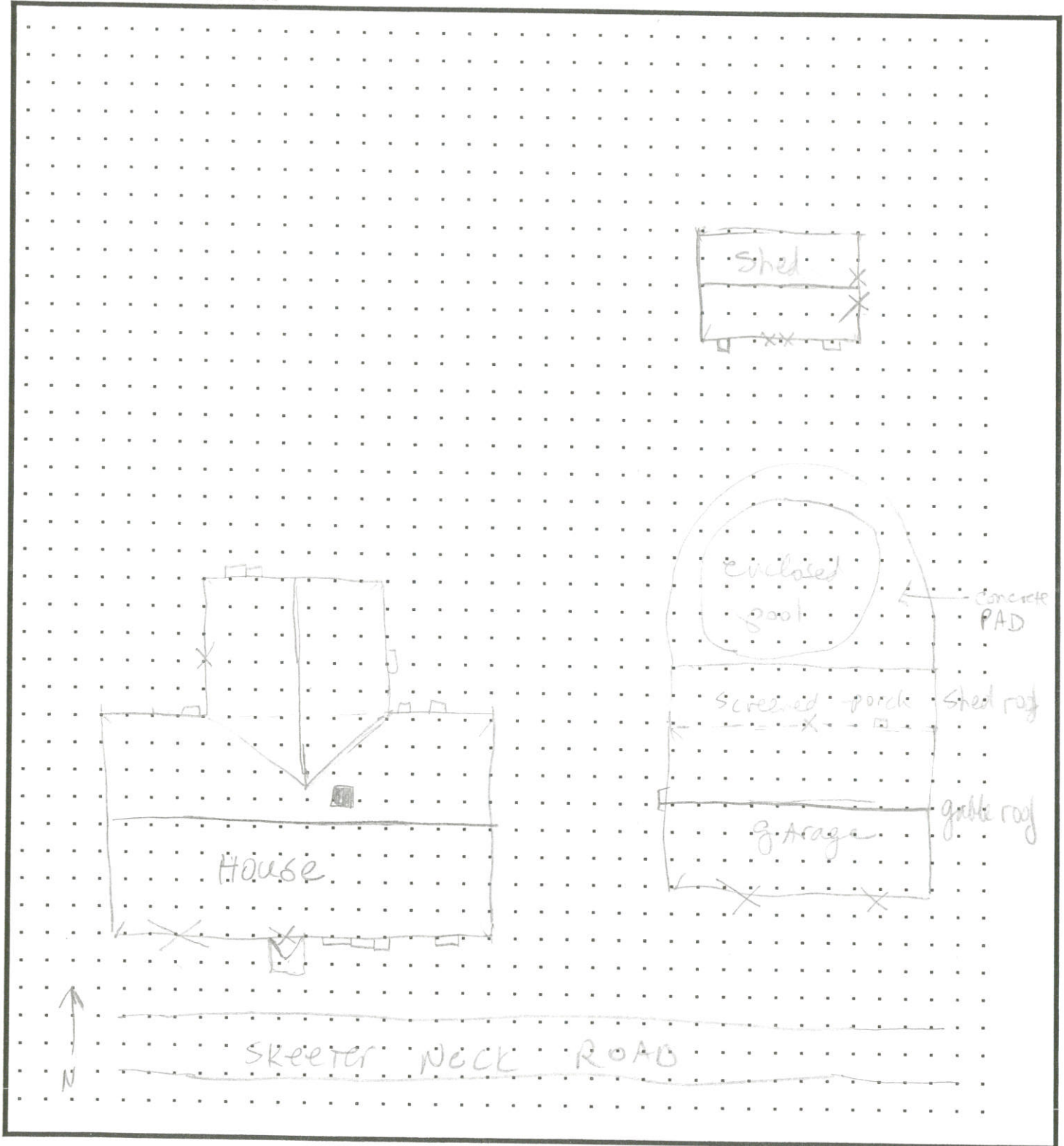
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4. SITE PLAN:

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INDICATE NORTH ON PLAN



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Northrop Property

Dwelling. This single-story, mid-twentieth-century vernacular ranch house sits on the north side of Skeeter Neck Road. The overall plan is T-shaped with a tall single-story side-gable main block and a lower single-story cross-gable extension at the rear. The structure sits on a concrete-block foundation. It is clad in aluminum and roofed with asphalt shingles. As is common in this unremarkable dwelling-type, the four-bay façade features two windows and two doors. At the west end is a single-car, sectional aluminum overhead garage door. Near the center is a pedestrian entrance sheltered by a small, cross-gable overhang. East of the entryway is a tripartite picture window consisting of a larger double-hung sash flanked by two smaller double-hung sash windows. The larger window has removable mullions; both are adorned with fixed shutters.

Garage/Porch. To the east of the dwelling is a large, freestanding frame two-car garage on a poured concrete pad with a shed roof extension at the rear. The roof is asphalt shingle, and the structure is clad in vinyl siding. On the façade are two single-car sectional fiberglass overhead garage doors. Under the shed roof is a screened-in porch with access to the interior of the garage, the side yard, and a pentagonal fenced, poured concrete patio with a round in-ground swimming pool.

Tool Shed. In the northeast corner of the yard sits a side-gable, frame prefabricated tool shed with an asphalt shingle roof and vertical wood plank siding. Its skid-like floor joists rest on concrete block footers. On the façade, centered double frame hinged shed doors are flanked by four-over-four light sash windows with fixed wood shutters. There are identical doors on the eastern elevation; the other elevations are blind.

Historic Background. On November 28, 1925, Arley B. Magee sold the property to the Associated Realty Corporation for an unknown price (KCDB V13: 20). On June 2, 1930, the Associated Realty Corporation sold the property containing 48.0 acres along with "...all that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land and premises...and the dwelling house, stables, and out buildings" to Edward and Ilertdine Hodgson for \$6,100 (KCDN V13: 187). On September 22, 1954, Edward and Ilertdine Hodgson conveyed the property containing 40.0 acres to Myra H. McIlvaine (KCDB P20: 191). On September 22, 1954, Myra H. McIlvaine conveyed the property to Edwards Hodgson (KCDB P20: 193). On May 6, 1960, Edward and Hattie Hodgson conveyed the property along "...with the improvements thereon erected" to Myra McIlvaine (KCDB H22: 524). On the same day (May 6, 1960) Myra McIlvaine conveyed the property along "...the improvements thereon erected" to Edward and Hattie Hodgson (KCDB H22: 525). On July 5, 1969, Edward and Hattie Hodgson sold the property containing .521 acres along with "...the improvements thereon erected" Lyle J. and Patricia A. Northrop for \$8,000 (KCDB S25: 164).

Evaluation. The Northrop Property on Skeeter Neck Road is recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places because it does not meet the eligibility criteria established by the National Park Service (NPS 1997). The resource is an example of common, vernacular house form within the SR 1 Interchange study area. Though it retains integrity of

location and setting, it lacks any notable integrity of design, materials, workmanship, association, and feeling, and does not convey historical or architectural significance.

Property-specific research and documentary research of the area in general did not reveal any associations between this property and significant events or trends. The property is recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion A for this reason. Likewise, research did not reveal any associations with significant individuals; therefore, the property is recommended not eligible for listing under Criterion B. The property does not display the distinctive characteristics of a type, style, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a master or possess high artistic value; therefore, it is recommended not eligible under Criterion C. Archaeological investigations have not yet been conducted on this property; therefore, the resource's eligibility under Criterion D (potential to yield information important to history or prehistory) cannot be assessed at this time.

Bibliography

Kent County Recorder of Deeds (KCDB)

Kent County Deed Books, Kent County Courthouse, Dover, Delaware.

National Park Service (NPS)

1997 *National Register Bulletin 15: How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation*. U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C.